



Rathfarnham/ Templeogue/ Firhouse/ Bohernabreena ACM

Libraries Report | June 2023

May Highlights Ballyroan

Ballyroan Library had 31,678 visitors in May. We hosted 76 events with a total of 1,430 attendees. 14,861 items were issued and 524 new members joined the library.

Highlights in May included the Great Gatsby Night as part of the Bealtaine Festival, the Red Line Presents event with author Catherine Ryan Howard, and of course our 10th birthday party.





Pride Month

We have a wide variety of events to celebrate Pride 2023.

At Ballyroan Library:

Monday 19th June at 6pm Pride on Screen Film Screening: Carol

Tuesday 20th June at 3:30pm Pride Week Makerspace Workshop: Totebag

Wednesday 21st June at 6:30pm Pride Week Book Club: 'Real Life' by Brandon Taylor

At Castletymon Library:

Wednesday 21st June at 3:00pm Rainbow Arts and Crafts Family event

Saturday 24th June (all day) Show your Pride Badge Making

Pin Your Pride

The Pin Your Pride initiative returns to all our libraries for 2023, celebrating the principles of diversity, equality and representation at the heart of the public library service. We are encouraging everyone to visit their local library to collect a different Pride themed badge each week in the month of June.





Cruinniú na nÓg, Saturday 10th June

Events at Ballyroan Library

10:00am & 11:15am **LEGO STEM Workshops with Bricks 4 Kidz**
Booking through Eventbrite.

2:00pm **The Beat Goes On! African Drumming and Dance** with Thomas Annang.
Booking through Eventbrite.

Events at Castletymon Library

10:00am & 11:15am **Glow Group LEGO Art Workshops**

These workshops will include a number of different tasks including Superhero Building, Movie Building, and Personalised Face Building using special technology to scan your face. *Booking through Eventbrite.*



Ballyroan Library June Highlights - Adults

Thursday 8th June at 7pm: **The Shared Reading Experience**

Shared Reading is a novel way of enjoying the reading experience with others. A friendly, trained leader provides a welcome and the text of something chosen to read aloud – a poem, piece of literature or story. Shared Reading offers a welcoming space for individuals to form real connections with the literature and themselves. *Booking essential through Eventbrite.*

Tuesday 13th June 6.30pm **So you know Rathfarnham Part 3**

Local History Talk by Tony Duffy *Booking essential via Eventbrite.*

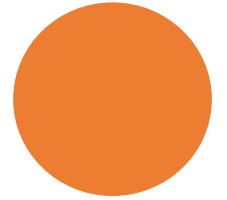
Friday 16th June at 11am **Golden Moments: A Bloomin' Great Invitation! Meet the Bloom Family!**

It's Bloomsday and we're inviting you into the home of the Bloom Family. Join Roslyn Hickey for a relaxed and accessible exploration of this most ordinary of Dublin families. This informal talk is for everyone with even a passing interest in one of the greatest works of modern literature. *Booking through Eventbrite.*

Friday 16th June at 12.30pm **The Ulysses Reading Group**

Continuing our Bloomsday celebrations, this monthly meet-up is dedicated to reading and discussing Ulysses by James Joyce. Experienced Joyce reader, Joe Kenny, will be your guide. Why not join in and continue the discussions straight after our Bloomsday talk on this most literary of days! *All welcome.*

Thursday 22nd June from 11am **Adult Art and Craft with Christine** Paint Your Own Garden Table Vase. *Booking essential through Eventbrite.*



Ballyroan Library June Highlights – Children and Teens

Tuesday 6th June 10am Sarah Sparkles Toddler Time Booking through Eventbrite.

June Friday 9th+ 23rd from 2-4pm Teen Lounge @ Ballyroan Library Come along and relax in our cosy teen lounge. Play board games, read, chat with friends and relax in a comfy space reserved for you. You're welcome to make suggestions on how to improve the space or events you'd like us to run!

Saturday 17th June from 2.30pm to 3.30pm Game Zone – Sticker Swap Swap your spares and complete your collection. Panini Premier League, Match Attax, Pokémon and GAA stickers catered for. Booking essential through Eventbrite.

Thursday 22nd June 10am Baby Book Club Come along with your little one and enjoy some rhymes, songs and stories! For ages 0-18 months. *Booking through Eventbrite.*

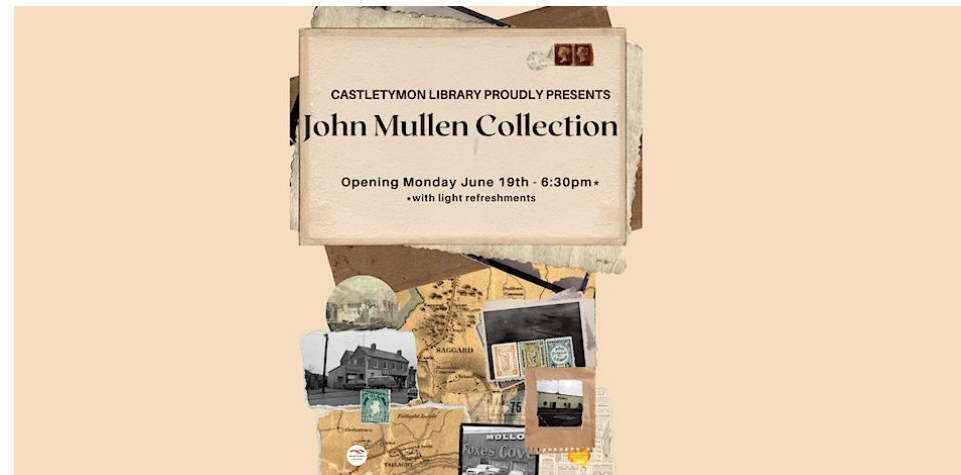
Thursday 29th June at 2:00PM Comic Art Workshop for Teens Learn how to draw a basic 4 frame comic strip with Shota Kotake. Drawing materials provided. *Booking essential via Eventbrite.* For ages 13+



Castletymon Library June Highlights

- Saturday 17th June 11:00am **Drumming Workshop with Thomas Annang**
- Saturday 17th June 2:00pm **STEAM Session for children with additional needs: Homemade Thaumatrope**
- Monday 19th June at 6:30pm **Local History Exhibition Launch: The John Mullen Collection**
- Saturday 24th June at 11:00am **STEAM Saturday: Creative Builder**

Booking for all events via Eventbrite





Mobile Libraries Highlights

The Mobile Library visited 152 public stops in May and welcomed 2962 visitors. We made 16 visits to primary schools. Our Library@Home service continues to deliver books to vulnerable people in the community and 105 home deliveries were made in May. We held a further 11 outreach events in May including 4 creche visits, 3 afterschool club visits, the regular monthly visit to the Ukrainian refugee centre at Citywest, and a new monthly visit to the Transit Hub at Citywest which was very successful, with over 50 residents joining the library on the day.

The Mobiles schedule is filling up for the summer, with morning parks visits in July and August, and Saturday events at the markets in Tymon Park. We'll also be at the Community Services Day in the Square on 22nd July, and the AsIAm 5k Run for Autism event in Corkagh Park on 30th July.